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SUBJECT: MILITARY RICE FOR LAOS

REFS: A. VIENTIANE 4413; B. BANGKOK 11855; C. BANGKOK 11478

BANGKOK FOR KRANKER

1. APPRECIATE PROMPT AND COMPLETE RESPONSE REFS A AND B.
2. IN LIGHT OF IMPORTANCE OF CONTINUED RICE DELIVERIES TO MAINTENANCE AND SAFETY OF MISSION, AS DESCRIBED PARA B REF A, KRANKER AUTHORIZED TO CONTRACT FOR ADDITIONAL DELIVERIES THROUGH SEPTEMBER FOR USE AS OPTION NOTED PARA D REF A.

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3. PROCUREMENT PER PROCEDURES INDICATED PARA 3 AND 4 REF C

AUTHORIZED. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT RICE COST BASED
UPON FOB DELIVERY AT DESTINATION, THUS MEETING ALL RELATED
COSTS FOR THESE SHIPMENTS.

4. FYI: CONGRESS HAS NOW PASSED A CONTINUING RESOLUTION
(CRA) WHICH HAS A PROVISION PROHIBITING USE OF CRA FY 76
FUNDS TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE FOR LAOS. THIS RE-EMPHASIZES
THE NECESSITY FOR THE OBLIGATION OF FY 75 FUNDS PRIOR TO
THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR. NO CONTRACT IS TO BE SIGNED
WHICH WILL IN ANY WAY INVOLVE THE OBLIGATION OF FY 76 FUNDS
TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE FOR LAOS.

5. DOD CONCURS. INGERSOLL

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